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USSR MARKING TIME ON SHELLS MOSCOW APPARENTLY DOES NOT WANT AUTOGRAH INCIDENTS TO SPOIL DETAILED ATTENDANCE, BUT IT HAS GIVEN NOTICE IT WILL RESPOND VIGOROUSLY TO ANY WESTERN MOVE TO ALTER STATUS QUO, PARTICULARLY IN GERMANY.

2. COMMUNIST AID FOR CUBAN HUNGRIER DISASTER: THE SOVIET
UNION AND COMMUNIST CHINA ARE SENDING EMERGENCY RELIEF SUPPLIES.
KREMLIN LATER HAS OFFERED CUBA PROGRAM TO SUPPLY WARE VARIETY
OF FOOD AND CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS DURING NEXT YEAR
AT LEAST SOME WITHOUT CHARGE. ADDITIONAL AID REQUESTS LIKELY TO
BE FORTHCOMING FROM HAVANA.

3. ~~YUGOSLAVIA AND RUMANIAN STATES~~: KHRUSHCHEV'S VIEW NOW IS THAT THE WORLD IS NO LONGER DIVIDED BETWEEN EAST BLOC AND WEST BLOC. IT NEEDS A POLITICAL DIVISION BETWEEN THOSE STATES

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WORKING FOR "PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE" AND THOSE AGAINST IT, AND AN
ECONOMIC DIVISION BETWEEN THE DEVELOPED AND UNDERDEVELOPED STATES.
IT WAS ALSO CONCERNED ABOUT WHETHER THE UNDERDEVELOPED STATES AS A
GROUP EXIST WITHIN THE "CAMPAIGN OF PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE".

4. TENSIONS RISING IN POLAND. THE RUSSIAN'S SCATTERED-UP
ATTITUDE AGAINST THE COUNCIL HAS AGGRAVATED THE BOLLER AND ANGRY
AND DISSENT BY INTERNAL ECONOMIC POLICIES. GOMULKA'S PRESTIGE
AND AUTHORITY HAVE DIMINISHED SHARPLY, BUT THE POPULATION FEELS
THERE IS NO BETTER ALTERNATIVE, AND THAT AN ATTEMPT TO CHANGE
THE SITUATION MIGHT PROVOKE SOVIET INTERVENTION.

5. SOVIET-CHINESE MILITARY DEVELOPMENTS. SOVIET MILITARY CO-
OPERATION CONTINUES. THE LARGE RUSSIAN ARMY GROUP, FORMERLY
ARMY CHIEF OF STAFF, IS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE IN
CHINA 24 OCT.

6. SOVIET ECONOMIC SITUATION. BRASSERMENT OF THE ECONOMIC
SITUATION CAUSED BY EMERGENCY WARE PURCHASES MAY DELAY FINAL
ADOPTION OF THE 1954-55 ECONOMIC PLAN. KHRUSHCHEV'S LATEST
REMARKS FOR AMBASSADORS AND FOREIGNERS CONTAIN A LAST-MINUTE

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REVISED, BUT SIGNS INDICATE THE PROGRAM IS BEING REIMPLEMENTED.

7. //FLOODS IN NORTH CHINA: LARGE AREAS OF THE NORTH CHINA PLAIN ARE STILL COVERED WITH WATER AFTER TWO MONTHS, AND AUTUMN HARVESTS, ESPECIALLY COTTON, APPEAR TO HAVE SUFFERED A SERIOUS BLOW. VINTAGE THAT ARRIVAL WILL PROBABLY BE HURLED, AND PLANTING DELAYED.//

8. WEST GERMANY: LUDWIG ERHARD HAS TAKEN OVER CAUTIOUSLY, MAKING FEWER CABINET CHANGES THAN EXPECTED AND HEAVING CLOSELY TO THE ADRECHER LINE IN FORMULATING HIS GOVT'S POLICIES. ERHARDTAD REVEALS FROM OPPOSITION SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY HAVE STATED PRIVATELY THEY INTEND TO GIVE ERHARD "WERNER" OF ABOUT SIX YEARS. ON THE OTHERHAND, ADRECHER'S REPORTED DISSATISFACTION WITH ERHARD'S PUBLIC STANCE SUGGESTS THE NEW CHANCELLER'S EARLIEST TROUBLES MAY SPRING FROM WITHIN HIS OWN PARTY. (REF)

9. ITALY CHANGES HAVE IMPROVED THAT CURRENT SOCIALIST PARTY COURSE WILL FAVOR RECONSTITUTING A CENTER-LEFT GOVT. MEANTIME, NEGOTIATIONS WITH CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC PARTY ON DISTRIBUTION OF PORTFOLIOS IN SUCH A GOVT ARE UNDERWAY. PROSPECTS ARE THAT ANY CENTER-LEFT

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...THAT FINLAND WILL HAVE DIFFICULTIES BECAUSE OF THE ANTI-PATHY OF LEFT-WING SOCIALISTS AND BISHOPING CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATS. EITHER OR SOME OF THESE GROUPS MAY ONE DAY TRY TO "KICK THE GOVT" BY VOTING AGAINST IT ON IMPORTANT LEGISLATION. (CONT)

10. PORTUGAL: INDICATIONS ARE GIVEN HE PREPARED A NEW INITIATIVE IN THE DISCUSSION FOR AN EXTENSION OF HIS AIRBASE RIGHTS IN THE ARMS WITHIN THE BARRAGE. THERE IS LITTLE LIKELIHOOD THE PORTUGUESE GOVERNMENT WILL RELINQUISH LEVERAGE THEY FEEL THEY MAINTAIN ON THE US AS LONG AS THEY REFUSE TO GIVE MORE THAN A SHIRT-TAIL EXTENSION. THIS, SAID BARRETTING WILL PROBABLY RESULT IN ONLY ONE YEAR EXTENSION.

11. FINLAND: PRESIDENT KIVIMAKI HAS FINALLY ACCEPTED THE RESIGNATION OF THREE LEFTIST TRAITOR MEMBERS WHOSE MOVE TO LEAVE THE GOVT LAST AUGUST COMPLICATED THE CABINET CRISIS WHICH IS STILL UNRESOLVED. FINLAND'S REARRANGING WILL NOT BE EASY. UNLESS THE IMPASSE IS BROKEN, THE FINNS MAY HAVE TO SETTLE FOR A GOVT MEN BY CIVIL SERVANTS. (CONT)

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SOUKRE AND ALGIERS APPARENTLY FROM LIBYA. MEDIATION ATTEMPTS ARE CONTINUING BY OTHER AFRICAN COUNTRIES BUT HAVE SO FAR FOUNDERED OVER MOROCCO'S REFUSAL TO EVACUATE TWO SOVIET-BORN BUNKER POSTS TAKEN LAST YEAR, AS BEN BELLA DEMANDS.

4. // CONGO: PRESIDENT KASAVUBU DECLARED A STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR THE CITY OF LEOPOLVILLE ON 30 OCTOBER AND NAMED A THREE MAN COMMITTEE UNDER DEFENSE MINISTER ANATY TO HELP FIGHT NEAR MILITARY LAW. FUMINE ADOULA IS STILL IN OFFICE, BUT THE EMERGENCY COMMITTEE IS MAKING THE DECISIONS WITH THE BACKING OF ARMY CHIEF KIMBUTU. THE COMMITTEE IS FACING MOUNTING LARGE DISSENSION AS LARGE LEADERS HAVE DENOUNCED ITS ESTABLISHMENT. A CIVIL SERVICE STRIKE BEGAN ON 22 OCTOBER AND STRIKING TEACHERS HAVE IGNORED ANATY'S ULTIMATUM TO RETURN TO WORK. LEFTIST EXTREMISTS ARE CONTINUING THEIR EFFORTS TO GAIN POWER. THEY APPARENTLY HAVE SUCCEEDED IN DISAFFECTING SOME OF KIMBUTU'S ELITE PARACOMMANDOS AND SEVERAL OF THEM ARE IN CRAZZA VILLE TALKING OF SETTING UP A GOVERNMENT IN KINSHASA.

15. SOUTH KOREA: FOLLOWING JUNTA LEADER PAK CHUNG-HUI'S NARROW VICTORY IN THE 15 OCTOBER PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS, THE REGIME IS PREPARING TO CAMPAIGN TO OBTAIN A BRIBBLY MAJORITY IN THE 26 NOVEMBER ELECTIONS.

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NATIONAL ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS MAY HAS BEEN...
CHIEF KIM CHONG-PIL BACK FROM AN EIGHT MONTH BATTLE TO HOLD BUT
BECAUSE OF HIS UNBROKEN COMMITMENT THIS MAY BE NEGATIVE TENSION
WITHIN THE REGIME AS WELL AS BETWEEN IT AND THE OPPOSITION. IN THE
PARLIAMENTARY ELECTION THE REGIME APPEARS TO HAVE RELIED HEAVILY ON
INDIRECT PRESSURE RATHER THAN ON DIRECT ELECTIONS IN ORDER TO WIN
AGAINST THE GROWING DISSENT OF THE AUTHORITARIAN RULE
AND WITH THE REGIME'S ECONOMIC RECORD. THE ARMY'S HEAVY ANTI-PAX
VOTE APPARENTLY REFLECTS THIS FEELING. ESPECIALLY IN THE LOWER RANKS
AND SENIOR OFFICERS SCARCELY CAPABLE TO SUPPORT PAX, IF ONLY FOR
LACK OF AN ATTRACTIVE ALTERNATIVE. (CONF)

16. SOUTH VIETNAM: THE ANNIVERSARY OF SOUTH VIETNAM'S NATIONAL
DAY ON 26 OCTOBER AND THE PRESENCE OF NUMEROUS FOREIGN DELEGATIONS
IN SAIGON MAY TRIGGER OPPOSITION GROUPS AND VIOLENT GROUPS TO TRY
TO PROVOKE DISORDERS IN COMING DAYS. ARRIVAL OF THE UN OBSERVER
MISSION THIS WEEK PARTICULARLY FORCES FRANKLINE FOR THE DIEM GOVERNMENT,
WHICH HAS TAKEN STEPS TO PRESENT APPEARANCE OF HARMONY IN BUDDHIST
COMMUNITY. BUDDHIST GROUP AND STUDENTS MAY NEVERTHELESS RESORT TO
DEMONSTRATIONS, STRIKES, AND FURTHER SUICIDES TO FOCUS ATTENTION ON

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THEIR GRIEVANCES. PRESIDENT DIEM AND HIS GOVERNMENT ARE CONTINUING TO SHOW THEY ARE PREPARED TO RISK SUBSTANTIAL REDUCTIONS IN US ECONOMIC AID RATHER THAN BOW TO PRESSURES FOR POLITICAL REFORMS. THEY HAVE APPARENTLY BEGUN TO PROBE ALTERNATIVE SOURCES OF FUNDS, AND MAY USE THE CURRENT SAIGON MEETING OF THE ASIAN PEOPLE'S AND COMMUNIST LEAGUE, A NON-GOVERNMENTAL INTERNATIONAL GROUP AS A STAGE FOR COMPLAINTS AGAINST THE US. THE URBAN POLITICAL ATMOSPHERE STILL HAS NO DISCERNIBLE EFFECT ON THE MILITARY EFFORT AGAINST THE VIET CONG. 17. LAOS: NEUTRALIST LEADERS IN VIETNAM ARE TRYING TO FORESTALL A RESUMPTION OF INTER-FACCTIONAL FIGHTING BY REVIVING THE TEMPORARY COALITION GOVERNMENT WHICH WAS CREATED IN 1960 ONLY ABOUT THE TWO PATENT LAO MINISTERS VISITED LAST APRIL. MINISTER OF INTERIOR PHONG PHONGSAVAN, THE HARKING NEUTRALIST DURING PHILIPPO SCOVANNA'S CURRENT VISIT TO LONDON AND MOSCOW, SAID HE IS TRYING TO ARRANGE FOR SCOVANNA TO MEET WITH PATENT LAO CHIEF PHOUK PHOUKSAVANOMVONG WHEN THE FRONTIER RETURNS ABOUT 6 NOVEMBER. HONG LE SHANVILLE HAS RESIGNED COMMAND OF THE NEUTRALIST FORCES ON THE PLAIN DES JARRES FOLLOWING HIS RETURN FROM AN EXTENDED VISIT TO THE USSR. GENERAL ANNA NOW EXERCISES SUPERVISORY CONTROL IN THE NEUTRALIST MILITARY

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HIERARCHY, AND WILL WATCH AFFAIRS IN THE CAPITAL IN CONNECTION WITH THE
THE PREMIER'S SPECIAL MILITARY CABINET. KONG LE SAYS THE RUSSIANS
OFFERED MUNITIONS SUPPORT TO HIS FORCES, BUT ATTACHED CONDITIONS
THEY KNEW WERE PROBABLY INSURMOUNTABLE.

18. EGYPT: EGYPT'S PETROLEUM INDUSTRY IS ON THE VERGE OF BECOMING
SELF-SUFFICIENT AT A TIME WHEN THE REGIME IS ENCOURAGING PARTICIPATION
BY WESTERN INTERESTS. SOVIET-FINANCED EXPLORATION AND CONSTRUCTION UNDER
A 1958 AGREEMENT ARE NEARING COMPLETION. TWO YEARS OF DO-IT-YOURSELF
HIGH COST EXPLORATION AND MARKETING IN THE FACE OF A WORLD SURPLUS
HAVE PROVED A CHANGE IN GARDI'S ATTITUDE, AND IN MID-1963
PETROLIUM WAS RESCUED FROM A RUSSIAN NATIONALIZING NUMEROUS
OTHER VENTURES. THE ITALIAN STATE-OWNED ENI AGENT, THE ONLY
IMPORTANT WESTERN PRESENCE DURING THE LAST TWO YEARS, WILL SOON START
TO REPLACE TWO NEW TRACTS UNDER TERMS OF A CONCESSION FORMALIZED IN
MID-OCTOBER, AND LATE THIS YEAR ENTER A SIMILAR DEAL FOR EXPLORATION
IN THE WESTERN DESERT WAS OBTAINED WITH PHILIPS PETROLIUM. (CONT)

19. GREECE: IN THE CAMPAIGN FOR THE 3 NOVEMBER PARLIAMENTARY
ELECTIONS A CLOSE STRUGGLE IS DEVELOPING BETWEEN FORMER PREMIER
KARAMANLIS' CONSERVATIVE NATIONAL RADIANT UNION AND THE NEW

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NON-COMMUNIST OPPOSITION GROUP, THE CENTER UNION KARAMANLIS APPEARS TO BE AROUSING LESS ENTHUSIASM THAN PREVIOUSLY, AND AFTER SIX YEARS IN OFFICE IS SUFFERING FROM THE "TIME FOR A CHANGE" PSYCHOLOGY. THE CENTER UNION IS FEATURING A STRONG APPEAL TO GREEK NATIONALISM AND PARTY LEADER PAPANDREOU HAS ACCUSED KARAMANLIS OF "SUBMISSIVENESS TO FOREIGNERS" IN REFERENCE TO HIS CLOSE TIES WITH THE UNITED STATES. PAPANDREOU HOPES TO SEE GIVE ROOMER SEATS TO GIVE KARAMANLIS A WORKING MAJORITY. THE COMMUNIST-DOMINATED UNITED DEMOCRATIC LEFT, THE THIRD LARGEST PARTY, HAS FAILED TO FORM A POPULAR FRONT BUT HAS TURNED ITS STRONGEST TO THE CENTER UNION IN PLACE RATHER IN THE HANDS OF CURRENT KARAMANLIS. (CIVIL)

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